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are under strict party surveillance, supervision, and training. The highest authority of a militia column rests with the Communist political representative, that of a sub-column rests with the sub-district Communist Party representative, and that of a township militia corps and its subdivisions with the Communist political instructors attached to such corps and its subdivisions. Above the district, the party control over the militia is under the Central Committee of the Chinese Communist Party, while the military control is under the Military Control Commission of the Revolutionary Military Council.

5. Fixing the lowest number of militia of each district at 12,000, then the total for the whole country embracing at least 1,000 districts can be roughly estimated to be over 12,000,000. The size of the townships under the Communists is smaller than it was under the Nationalists; for instance, to facilitate suppression of rebellion, a township of 12,000 to 13,000 population has been divided into three townships each containing 4,000 to 5,000 population.

6. [ ] the training of militia was aimed at Communist indoctrination and discipline. [ ] non-political military training 25X1 has been enforced in certain districts in south Shantung, north Anhwei, north Kiangsu, and south Kiangsi. The duties and training of the militia are:

- a. To indoctrinate Communist Party principles.
- b. To precipitate class struggle.
- c. To agitate for aid to North Koreans and support Chinese Communists in their fight against [ ] forces in Korea. 25X1
- d. To humble and suppress landlords.
- e. To provoke attacks against landlords by creating imaginary sins.
- f. To pay strict attention to the movements of villagers.
- g. To observe Nationalist underground movements.
- h. To remove all anti-Communist elements.
- i. To arrest and execute offenders on the instruction of superiors.
- j. To query and search pedestrians and reminding farmers to pay the land tax in kind to the government.
- k. To carry out sealing, confiscate property, and patrol special areas.

7. All arms and ammunition are virtually in the hands of the regular Communist army. The militia is supplied with no other arms than from 10 to 20 pistols and rifles to each township, many of which are in bad condition and for display only. In order to make up for the losses in Korea, the Communists have launched a movement for mass militia participation in the regular army. Except for the approximately 30,000 militia forces recruited from south Shantung, there has been up to [ ] no similar recruitment in other provinces. 25X1

\* [ ] Comment. A hsien milita corps is probably meant. 25X1

\*\* [ ] Comment. This probably indicates a group the size of a company.

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